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Pepicelli et al.

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**Preliminary Amendment**

Sir:

Please enter the following amendments:

**In the claims:**

1. **(Currently amended)** A method for modulating the growth state of lung tissue, or cells derived therefrom, comprising ectopically contacting the tissue with an amount of an agent effective to alter the rate of proliferation of the lung tissue, wherein the agent is selected from ~~the group consisting of a hedgehog therapeutic, or a ptc therapeutic and an fgf-10 therapeutic.~~
2. **(Currently amended)** A method for inducing the formation of, or the maintenance or ~~functiona~~ functional performance of lung tissue, comprising contacting the lung tissue with an amount of an agent effective to induce the formation of new lung tissue, wherein the agent is